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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE WITHDRAWAL OF GREENLAND FROM EEC

1. DURING CONVERSATIONS WITH CANADIAN FISHERIES DELEGATION, DEPARTMENT WAS INFORMALLY ADVISED THAT A SCHEDULED REFERENDUM IN GREENLAND MAY RESULT IN GREENLAND WITH-DRAWAL FROM EEC. SUCH A WITHDRAWAL COULD AFFECT EXISTING AGREEMENT ON ATLANTIC SALMON FISHERY OFF GREENLAND COAST AND INFLUENCE OUTCOME OF US/CANADIAN EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN CONTROLS ON THIS FISHERY. WHILE SUCH A RESULT MAY NOT BE IMMINENT OR LIKELY, DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE ASSESSMENT BY EMBASSY AND USEC OF EFFECT REFERENDUM COULD HAVE ON APPLICABILITY OF EC FISHERIES POLICY TO GREENLAND WATERS. DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO BE IN A POSITION TO DISCUSS THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SUBJECT WITH INDIVIDUALS FROM THE PUBLIC AND REGIONAL COUNCILS INTERESTED IN THE ATLANTIC SALMON.

2. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED PROVISIONAL STATISTICS FROM ICNAF ON INSHORE GREENLAND SALMON CATCH FOR 1976. REQUEST FISHATT QUERY DANISH OFFICIALS ON WHETHER THESE STATISTICS CAN NOW BE CONSIDERED DEFINITIVE. DEPARTMENT WOULD ALSO

APPRECIATE ANY AVAILABLE INFO ON LEVELS ATLANTIC SALMON CATCH OFF GREENLAND FOR CURRENT 1977 SEASON. VANCE

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